

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0242-02  
Bill No.: HB 508  
Subject: Fire Protection Districts: Elections  
Type: Original  
Date: March 3, 2003

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### ASSUMPTION

**Entities not responding are as follows: West Overland Fire Protection District, West County Fire Protection District, Mehlville Fire Protection District, LeMay Fire Protection District, and the St. Louis County Board of Election Commission.**

**Oversight** assumes no fiscal impact would be realized any state department or by any Fire Protection District. Oversight assumes the *St. Louis County Board of Election Commission* would have some administrative fiscal impact from dividing certain fire districts into subdistricts. Oversight assumes fiscal impact would require staff time and resources, but would be insignificant.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2004  
(10 Mo.)

FY 2005

FY 2006

\$0

\$0

\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal requires certain fire districts located in St. Louis County which include certain street light maintenance districts to establish subdistricts equivalent to the number of fire district directors for the purpose of electing new directors. The subdistricts must be established after proper notice and within 60 days after August 28, 2003, and thereafter within six months after each decennial census. If the fire district fails to establish boundaries within the deadline, the governing body of the county must establish the subdistricts within certain restrictions outlined in the bill. The bill establishes qualifications of directors, election procedures, and the filling of vacancies.

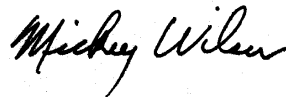
The proposal also prohibits firefighters from electioneering while on duty or while wearing a uniform. Violations may result in forfeiture of employment.

The proposal makes any certified firefighter who graduates from any accredited fire academy in the state eligible for employment in any type of fire district. Fire districts and departments may require continuing education and training.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

None



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